

The Utility Service Board met Thursday, July 16, 2015, at 11:30 a.m., in the board room at the service center at 1111 McClure Road chaired by Barry Turner. Other board members present were: Nancy Ann Brown, Clayton Force, Greg Lacy and Cheryl McAvoy. Also present were: Keith Reeves, Utilities Director; Dale Langferman, Manager of Finance & Business Operations; Ed Bergsieker, Manager of Engineering; Garry Pugh, Manager of Wastewater Operations; Melinda Burton, Executive Administrative Assistant; Tim Shuffett, Council Liaison, and Stan Gamso, attorney.

VISITORS

Mac McCauley, Strand Associates; Craig Ferrell, GRW Engineers; and Chris Calabrese, Columbus Utilities Customer

REGULAR MINUTES

Cheryl McAvoy made the motion to approve the minutes from June 18, 2015, as prepared. Nancy Ann Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

EXECUTIVE MINUTES

Cheryl McAvoy made the motion to approve the minutes from the executive meeting on June 18, 2015, as prepared. Clayton Force seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CUSTOMER ISSUE

CCU customer, Mr. Chris Calabrese, addressed board members regarding a claim that he filed with the Utilities due to water backing up in his home in April 2015. The City's insurance carrier determined there was no liability on the Utilities and denied his claim. After listening to Mr. Calabrese, board members felt it was necessary to be informed on the legal aspects of the situation. Board attorney, Stan Gamso, recommended doing so at the end of the regular meeting.

WILDFLOWER ESTATES SECTION 3, WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS – FINAL ACCEPTANCE

CCU engineering department observed the water and sewer facilities being installed; provided on-site inspection during construction; obtained all necessary "as-built" information; and conducted all necessary tests. The project was constructed in compliance with plans and specifications prepared by Crowder and Darnall Land Surveying in Columbus, Indiana. The owners/developer for this project is Joe and Lisa Conner of Columbus, Indiana.

Staff recommended acceptance of the project.

Nancy Ann Brown made the motion to approve the water and sewer improvements for Wildflower Estates Section 3. Cheryl McAvoy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

STONEHAVEN, WATER AND SEWER IMPROVEMENTS – FINAL ACCEPTANCE

CCU engineering department observed the water and sewer facilities being installed; provided on-site inspection during construction; obtained all necessary “as-built” information; and conducted all necessary tests. The project was constructed in compliance with plans and specifications prepared by Independent Land Surveying in Brownstown, Indiana. The owners/developer for this project is Joel Spoon of Columbus, Indiana.

Staff recommended acceptance of the project.

Clayton Force made the motion to approve the water and sewer improvements for Stonehaven. Nancy Ann Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

SHADOW CREEK FARMS SECTIONS 6A & 6B, WATER & SEWER EXTENSIONS – PLAN APPROVAL

Plans were submitted by Weihe Engineers, Inc. of Indianapolis, Indiana for Beazer of Homes of Indianapolis, Indiana for construction of water and sewer extensions to serve Shadowcreek Farms Sections 6A & 6B. They are in compliance with accepted standards.

Staff recommended approval of the design plans and specifications subject to standard conditions.

Nancy Ann Brown made the motion to approve the plans for water and sewer extensions for Shadowcreek Farms Sections 6A & 6B. Cheryl McAvoy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

SHOPPES AT RIVERBEND WEST, WATER EXTENSIONS – PLAN APPROVAL

Plans were submitted by Independent Land Surveying in Brownstown, Indiana for Cornerstone Development of Columbus, Indiana for construction of water and sewer extensions to serve Shoppes at Riverbend West. They are in compliance with accepted standards.

Staff recommended approval of the design plans and specifications subject to standard conditions.

Clayton Force made the motion to approve the plans for water and sewer extensions for Shoppes at Riverbend West. Cheryl McAvoy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CURED IN PLACE PIPE (CIPP) AWARD

Only two bids were received for the CIPP project. Contractors were asked to quote each line separately with the intent that through mention in bid documents, Columbus Utilities

could award, either through increase or decrease of separate bids, which individual lines would be awarded to stay within the budgeted amount. Bids were opened and read aloud on July 7, 2015. Both bidders submitted a bid that deviated from the bid request but did meet material requirements. The apparent low bidder was Miller Pipeline of Indianapolis, Indiana with a bid of \$382,568.80 for lines B – P.

Staff recommended acceptance of the bid from Miller Pipeline for lines B – P, in the amount of \$382,568.80.

Cheryl McAvoy made the motion to waive the inconsistency on the bids because both bids met material requirements, and to approve the bid of \$382,568.80 for lines B - P from Miller Pipeline, and authorized staff to enter into a construction contract. Nancy Ann Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

RICKER'S COLUMBUS, WATER & SEWER EXTENSIONS – FINAL ACCEPTANCE

CCU engineering department observed the water and sewer facilities being installed; provided on-site inspection during construction; obtained all necessary "as-built" information; and conducted all necessary tests. The project was constructed in compliance with plans and specifications prepared by Bledsoe, Riggert & Guerrettaz Land Surveying of Bloomington, Indiana. The owners/developer for this project is Ricker's Oil of Anderson, Indiana.

Staff recommended acceptance of the project.

Greg Lacy made the motion to approve the water and sewer improvements for Ricker's Columbus. Cheryl McAvoy seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

CLAIMS

The July water claims were presented for approval.

Cheryl McAvoy made the motion to approve the July water claims. Nancy Ann Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

The July wastewater claims were presented for approval.

Cheryl McAvoy made the motion to approve the July wastewater claims. Nancy Ann Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

FINANCE REPORT

The financial written report was presented.

MANAGER OF ENGINEERING REPORT

The Engineering written report was presented.

MANAGER OF WASTEWATER OPERATIONS REPORT

The Wastewater Operations written report was presented.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Director's written report was presented.

MEETING SUSPENDED

The meeting was suspended at 12:24 pm, and board members met with board attorney, Stan Gamso, to be informed of the legal aspects involved if the board were to overturn the determination made by the insurance carrier for the claim filed by Mr. Chris Calabrese. Stan Gamso presented options for resolving the matter.

MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 12:52 pm.

Clayton Force made the motion to reimburse Mr. Chris Calabrese for the presented cost of claims from April 2015 in the amount of \$4,055.72, provided he signs a waiver that includes no further liability. Chery McAvoy second the motion and it was unanimous.

AUGUST MEETING

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, August 20, 2015, at 11:30 a.m., in the board room at the Service Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:52 pm.

Barry Turner, Chairman
UTILITY SERVICE BOARD

Greg Lacy, Secretary
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